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In re Application of :
WARD et al. :
U.S. Application No.: 10/031,862 : DECISION ON PETITION
PCT No.: PCT/US01/07582 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Int. Filing Date: 09 March 2001 :
Priority Date: 09 March 2000 :
Attorney Docket No.: 19978-088796 :
For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING IGNITION OF :
AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE :

This decision is in response to (second) "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" filed 11 July 2003. In a decision dated 09 May 2003, the "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" filed 22 April 2003 to accept the application without the signature of inventor, James D. Meaney, was dismissed without prejudice.

The petition for status under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot since the declaration filed 11 July 2003 with the present communication was executed by the previously nonsigning inventor, James D. Meaney. As such, the submission is a proper reply to the Decision mailed 09 May 2003. However, the declaration submitted on 11 July 2003 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)(2). Specifically, the declaration is directed to the specification which "was filed on July 8, 2002 as United States Application number 10/181,098." Therefore, applicants are required to submit a newly executed declaration directed to the correct U.S. application (10/031,862).

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is **DISMISSED** as **MOOT**. The application need not be returned to this Office for any further consideration of Rule 1.47 status and no such status should be indicated on this application file.

A proper response must be filed within **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision and must include a proper declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 executed by all of the named inventors. Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention to the PCT Legal Office.

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